

Year 4
Curriculum Map
01.11.2019



**This half term
our theme is
'Playlist'**

In English, we will look at ways to perform poetry and use Roger McGough's poem 'The Sound Collector' as inspiration for writing our own. We will also listen to the story of Peter and the Wolf. We will explore how each character in the story is described through music, not words and generate character descriptions from listening alone. We will end the half term, exploring how to write an effective persuasive advert which encourages our family and friends to buy our Year 4 Class Christmas single.



In Music, we will begin to name a wide range of instruments and classify them based on their properties. We will explore how music often has a purpose, looking at how different compositions evoke a wide range of emotions. We will look at different musical techniques from around the world and express opinions on a range of genres of music such as the blues, jazz, rock and classical.

In Science, we will be looking at how sound is made associating some sounds with something vibrating. We will investigate the volume of a range of sounds using a decibel meter and look at how the ear works. We will enquire into what materials make good insulators and carry out experiments to show how sound gets fainter as the distance from the sound increases.

In Art, we will learn about the artist Kandinsky, exploring how he painted abstract art through listening to jazz music. We will discover how he used particular shapes, patterns and colours to portray what he felt. **In Design**, we will use the results of our Science learning, to design and create a pair of earmuffs that would help to protect the local builders hearing from the noise of their machinery.

In P.E, outside we will be developing our hockey skills. We will look at how to control the ball with a stick and develop our skills of passing effectively. Indoors, we will be looking at rotation in gymnastics by exploring the different ways to roll safely and developing spatial awareness through rotating in time with a partner. Please make sure children have trainers, joggers and water bottles with them in school. PE will continue to be every Thursday and Friday.

In Maths we start the half term learning strategies for recalling multiplication and division facts for up to 12x12. Every opportunity to revise these at home is of particular importance, as all children in year four will partake in the mandatory multiplication check in June this year. We will also begin to multiply two-digit and three-digit numbers by a one-digit number using formal written layouts and start to recognise factors of a number.

Later on in the half term, we will revise ordering and comparing angles and compare shapes based on their geometric properties. We will also identify how to find the area of a wide range of shapes by counting the squares.

In RE, we will be making links between Bible texts and the concept of 'Gospel' (good news). We will look at examples of how Christians try to show love to all. We will also make clear links between the calling of the first disciples and how Christians today try to follow Jesus and be 'fishers of people.'

In PSHE, we will be exploring how to recognise the qualities of a good friend and reflect on our own friendship skills. We will develop strategies for managing friendship problems and begin to understand how to cope with changes in friendship patterns and situations.

Reading

All children need to have their reading book and yellow reading record in school every day.

The reading reward scheme that the children all work towards will be checked on a Monday. Children will need to have read for a minimum of 5 times a week at home with **reading diaries signed by an adult at home**. For every week in which they have read 5 times each child will receive a sticker for their warrior collection and a raffle ticket entered into the half termly school prize draw!

Our library time slot, as a class, is on a Wednesday morning.

Our class book is:



Just a reminder that

07.11.2019- Pathfinders Got Talent
13.11.2019- Parents Evening (6.00pm-8.30pm)
14.11.2019- Parents Evening (3.45pm- 6.00pm)
15.11.2019- Children in Need Day
18.11.2019- Wren Family Lunch
29.11.2019- Christmas Decorations Day
09.12.2019- FOPS Christmas Present Room
13.12.2019- Christmas Jumper Day
16.12.2019- FOPs Christmas Event
17.12.2019- Christingle Service

